

# CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED TRAIN

## Fresno–Palmdale Region

### VISALIA-TULARE-HANFORD STATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

#### APPENDIX B

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# Appendix B-1

## Outreach Meeting Summary

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**URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture**



	Meeting Title	Purpose of Meeting	Meeting Date	Location of Meeting	Meeting Called By	Target Type	Attended By
1	Fresno Locals	Goal of the meeting is to inform the locals on the project and gain info from locals on Alignment Alternatives being studied for the Visalia train station.	3/12/2007	Fresno COG offices, Ash Room	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>Local Agency Staff</u> Clark Thompson - FCCOG, Lynn Gorman-Fresno Co., Stan Nakagawa-Fresno Co., Tom Bailey - Rail Consolidation, Dennis Manning - Rail Consolidation Al Dias - Caltrans Planning, D6, Darrell Unruh-City of Fresno, Keith Berghthold - City of Fresno  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg, Bob Schaevitz, Georgiena Vivian, Don Sepulveda, DMJM Sac-FSO Team
2	Tulare County RMA	Goal of the meeting is to inform the locals on the project and gain info from locals on Alignment Alternatives being studied for the Visalia train station.	3/13/2007	Visalia	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>Tulare County RMA</u> Bill Hayder Mike Elzy  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz Sandy Stadtfeld
3	Visalia City Mgr and Asst. City Mgrs	Goal of the meeting is to inform the locals on the project and gain info from locals on Alignment Alternatives being studied for the Visalia train station.	3/13/2007	Visalia City Manager's Office	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>City of Visalia</u> Carol Cairns, Asst. City Manager Mike Olmos, Asst. City Manager Steve Soloman, City Manager  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz Sandy Stadtfeld
4	Fresno/ Fowler/ Kingsburg/ Selma Transportation Planning Meeting	Present HST, discuss issues to be addressed for these cities	3/16/2007	Kingsburg City Council Chambers, 1401 Draper Street	Mayor Bergstrom		David Martin, Clark Thompson, Jeffrey Webster, Dennis Lujan, John Downs, Don Tow, David Karstetter, Terry Schmal, Mayor Bergstrom

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5	City of Tulare: City Manager and Planning Director Meetings	To convey that HST is a project. General information, discuss Visalia Alignment Alternatives, gain local input.	3/22/2007	City of Tulare	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>City of Tulare</u> Darrell Pyle, City Manager Mark Kielty, Planning Dir.  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz
6	City of Hanford: City Manager Meeting	Convey that HST is a real project. General Information, discuss Visalia Alignment Alternatives.	3/23/2007	City of Hanford, City Hall, 319 N Douty Street Hanford, CA 93230	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>City of Hanford</u> Alan Christensen  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz
7	Kingsburg City Manager Conference Call	Discuss providing a letter to the Mayor of Kingsburg on his Alternatives.	3/27/2007		Don Pauley	Agency Staff	<u>City of Kingsburg</u> Don Pauley  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz
8	Meeting with Kern County BoS	Present HST and identify issues for Kern County	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Don Maben – Chairman Kern County Bd of Sups  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
9	Mayor, City of Bakersfield	Present HST and identify issues for Bakersfield	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Harvey Hall – Mayor City of Bakersfield  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
10	Vice Mayor, City of Bakersfield	Present HST and identify issues for Bakersfield	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Harold Hanson – Bakersfield Vice Mayor  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
11	City Manager, City of Bakersfield	Present HST and identify issues for Bakersfield	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Alan Tandy – Bakersfield City Manager  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
12	Kern COG	Present HST and identify issues for Kern County	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Ron Brummett – CEO – KernCog  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett

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13	Meeting with Mojave Town Council	Present HST and identify issues for Council	4/2/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	Bill Deaver – Mojave Town Council  HST Gene Tackett
14	Meeting with Connie Conway, Vice Chair of Tulare County Board of Supervisors and Co-Chair of Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley	Informal discussion about HST and alignment study between Fresno and Bakersfield and gain support from Partnership	4/03/2007	Tulare County Board of Supervisors Offices	Cheryl Lehn and Bryn Forhan	Elected Official	HST:  Bryn Forhan Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
15	Meeting with Steven Teglia of the Bakersfield Chamber		4/4/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		Steven Teglia  HST Gene Tackett
16	Mayor Ledford and Palmdale City Manager	Present HST to the Mayor and identify issues for Palmdale	4/4/2007	City Hall, City of Palmdale 38300 Sierra Highway, Ste. A Palmdale, CA 93550	LA-Palmdale HST Team	Elected Official	City of Palmdale Mayor Jim Ledford Laurie Lile, Asst. City Mgr Laura Biery, Adm. Analyst City Manager  HST Dan Templis Mike Hawkins Julia Brown Eric VonBerg Ingrid Chapman Robert Vanderstok
17	Gov. Review Council – Bakersfield Chamber		4/6/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		HST Gene Tackett
18	Kern County Resource Management Agency		4/9/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Dave Price – Director – Kern County Resource Management Agency  HST Gene Tackett
19	City of McFarland Planning Director		4/9/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Steve Perez – Planning Dir, City of McFarland  HST Gene Tackett

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20	Vice Mayor, City of Delano		4/9/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Ruben Hill – Vice Mayor, City of Delano <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
21	Tehachapi City Manager		4/9/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Jason Caudle – Tehachapi City Manager <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
22	KCAG/Kings County	Inform staff about HST, gain input on the Visalia Option, names of others to talk with about HST	4/9/2007	Kings County Offices	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	<u>Kings County</u> Bill Zumwalt, Pl. Director Terry King, KCAG Ex. Dir <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Rose Willems
23	Meeting with Ashley Swearingen, Staff to the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley	Present HST and make arrangements for presentation to Partnership Board	4/12/2007	Fresno – Starbuck's	Bryn Forhan	Agency Staff	<u>HST</u> Bryn Forhan, Forhan Company
24	Gov. Review Council – Bakersfield Chamber		4/13/2007				<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett Carrie Pourvahidi
25	Kern County & Bakersfield Planning Staff		4/13/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Kern County Planning Staff Bakersfield Planning Staff <u>HST</u> Carrie Pourvahidi Gene Tackett
26	Chairman Kern Co. Bd of Sups & Vice Mayor		4/13/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		Chairman of Kern County Board of Supervisors Vice Mayor <u>HST</u> Carrie Pourvahidi Gene Tackett
27	Planning Director City of McFarland		4/13/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		Planning Director, City of McFarland <u>HST</u> Carrie Pourvahidi Gene Tackett
28	Delano Vice Mayor & City Manager		4/13/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Electeds	Delano Vice Mayor and City Manager <u>HST</u> Carrie Pourvahidi Gene Tackett



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29	Kern COG		4/17/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Staff – KernCog <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
30	Kern County Planning Director		4/17/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Agency Staff	Ted James – Kern County Planning Director <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
31	Bakersfield City Manager		4/17/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Alan Tandy Bakersfield City Manager <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
32	Tulare RMA/TCAG Meeting	Present HST and coordinate outreach with RMA and TCAG	4/17/2007	Tulare County RMA Office	Eric VonBerg	Agency Staff	Ted Smalley, TCAG George Finney, RMA
33	Mayor of Bakersfield		4/18/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected	Harvey Hall, Mayor of Bakersfield <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
34	Fresno County Technical Assessment Group (TAG)	Study of Route Alignment Alternatives between Fresno and Bakersfield	4/18/2007	Fresno COG Offices 2025 Tulare Street, Ste. 201 Sequoia Room Fresno, CA 93721	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	TAG	Brandon Erickson, Cally Crosby, Stan Nakagawa, Don Pauley, Sophia Pagoulatos, Darrel Unruh, Enrique Mendez, Tom Bailey, Paul Marquez, Matt Treber, John Downs, Clark Thompson <u>HST</u> Howard Smith, Dom Spaething, Duncan Watry, Bob Schaevitz, Sandy Stadtfeld, David Hilliard, Alan Boone
35	Gov. Review Council – Bakersfield Chamber		4/20/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
36	Tulare/Kings Counties HST Technical Assessment Group (TAG)	Study of Route Alignment Alternatives between Fresno and Bakersfield	4/23/2007	Visalia Convention Center 303 E. Acequia Ave. Visalia, CA 93291	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	TAG	Don Pauley, Scott Cochran, Karin Ford, Bill Hayter, Darrel Pyle, Andrew Benelli, Bill Zumwalt, Marilyn Kinoshita, Steve Kroeker, Ron Haggard, Alan Christensen, Britt L. Fussel, Seth Eberhard, Carol Cairns, Michael Miller, Al Dias, Rob Hunt, Mike Olmos <u>HST</u> Howard Smith, David Hilliard, Eric VonBerg, Bob Schaevitz, Sandy Stadtfeld, Arnold Luft

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37	Kern County Farm Bureau		4/24/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	HST Gene Tackett
38	Board of Realtors		4/24/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	HST Gene Tackett
39	Building Industry		4/24/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	HST Gene Tackett
40	Sierra Club		4/24/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	HST Gene Tackett
41	Antelope Valley Board of Trade	General Presentation to gain support for HST	4/24/2007	Cascades Restaurant, Palmdale	LA-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	<u>Known AVBOT Attendees</u> Director, Antelope Valley Board of Trade Cathy Hart, Executive Director, AVBOT Lew Stults, Sr. Field Rep., Congressman Buck McKeon Andy Rutledge, Field Rep., Congressman Kevin McCarthy Drew Mercy, Field Rep, State Senator George Runner Lisa Moulton, Field Rep. State Assemblywoman Sharon Runner Michael Busch - Ass't City Manager, City of Lancaster Laura Biery, Analyst, City of Palmdale Lee Barron, Quartz Hill Chamber of Commerce John Currado, Elder , Currado Real Estate John Currado, President of AVBOT John Currado, Jr., Allstate Insurance Robyn Lawhon, Merrill Lynch Jamie Lawhon, Merrill Lynch Aida O'Connor - Hanford Home Loans John Alesso Gordon Elder - CPA Chris Spicher - Former AVBOT President Tyler Fonua - AVBOT Cathy Hart - AVBOT Executive Director Patti Holt-Pulsifer Johnny Zamrza - Western Pacific Roofing Gregg Anderson - Developer, Former AVBOT President John Fegione - Former Test Pilot, Edwards Air Force Base Dianne Knippel - Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Olin Rogers - Pre-paid Legal Services Richard Calkins - L.A. Sanitation Districts Russ Fuller - AVEK (Antelope Valley East Kern Water District) Neil Weisenburger - AV College



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							<p>Vern Lawson - City of Lancaster, Redevelopment Agency James Welling - Kern County Supervisor Don Maben Bret Banks - Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District Larry Chimbole - Former mayor (first mayor) of Palmdale Irene Cardwell Katie Corbett Gloria Alesso Larry Jernigan - DHR Team, Inc Tom Lapworth - Quartz Hill Chamber of Commerce Jared Pierce - Underground Graphics James Charlton - Attorney David Charlton -Credit Management Systems Mickki Benanti Joanne Crawford - ProCare Hospice Chuck Hoey - CB Ellis Diane Hoey Rhonda Nelson - Northrup Grumman Alex Gutierrez</p> <p><u>HST</u> Dennis Papilion - URS Eric VonBerg -URS Julia Brown - URS Robert Vanderstok-Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman - Chapman Communications &amp; AVBOT Director</p>
42	Georgianne White, Chief of Staff for Fresno Mayor Alan Autry	Discuss HST and gaining the Mayor's support	4/25/2007	Phone call	Call initiated by Bryn Forhan	Elected Official/Staff	<p><u>HST</u> Bryn Forhan</p>
43	Phone conversation with Nancy Osborne and Gene Haagenon of ABC 30 News – Anchor and news reporter for Fresno ABC affiliate	Update them on HST and activity on the project to then do interview on May 4, 2007	4/27/2007	Phone call	Call initiated by Bryn Forhan	Press	<p><u>HST</u> Bryn Forhan</p>
44	AEP Conference	HST Display/Booth	4/29/2007	The Cliffs Resort, Shell Beach 4/29/07 - 5/2/07	AEP	Agency Staff, Interest Groups	<p><u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg</p>
45	Valley Regional Policy Council Meeting	Present HST	4/30/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		<p><u>HST</u> Dan Leavitt Bryn Forhan Georgiena Vivian</p>

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46	Valley Ag Commissioners	Present HST and gain input on assessing agricultural impacts and identifying the most prime agricultural lands	5/3/2007	Swan Court (Steak and Rail Restaurant) 2910 Pea Soup Andersen Blvd., Selma, CA	Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		Gary Kunkel, Tulare Co. Ag Commissioner Ryan Bertao, Exec. Dir., Kings County Farm Bureau Patricia Stever, Exec. Dir., Tulare County Farm Bureau Roger Isom, Calif. Cotton Growers & Ginners Assn Don Patrick, Nisei Farmers League Ruben Arroyo, Deputy Kings County Agricultural Commissioner Bob Vandergon, Fresno County Deputy Agriculture Commissioner  HST Bryn Forhan Sandy Stadtfeld Eric VonBerg
47	Fresno Councilmember Larry Westerlund	Present HST and get support from Fresno City Council	5/4/2007	Fresno-Kern Street Café	Bryn Forhan	Elected official	HST Carrie Pourvahidi Bryn Forhan Eric VonBerg
48	Fresno Councilmember Blong Xiong Council Assistant Miguel Arias	Present HST and get support from Fresno City Council	5/4/2007	Fresno-Kern Street Café	Bryn Forhan	Elected Official	HST: Carrie Pourvahidi Bryn Forhan Eric VonBerg
49	Fresno County Board of Supervisors, Chairman Bob Waterston	Present HST and get support from Fresno Board of Supervisors	5/4/2007	Fresno-Kern Street Café	Bryn Forhan	Elected Official	HST: Carrie Pourvahidi Bryn Forhan Eric VonBerg
50	Interview with Corrin Hoggard, Producer/Reporter for ABC-30 Actions News – Fresno	Interview re: HST and where the project stands	5/4/2007	Channel 30 offices/studio in Fresno	Bryn Forhan	Media	HST: Carrie Pourvahidi (Interview)  Bryn Forhan Eric VonBerg
51	Editorial staff Bakersfield Californian		5/4/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Media	Editorial Staff  HST Gene Tackett

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52	CA Partnership with the SJ Valley	Present HST and gain support from Partnership Board	5/4/2007	Kern Community College District Office 2100 Chester Ave. Bakersfield, California Meeting room: Forum 101A	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Carrie Pourvahidi Bryn Forhan Eric VonBerg
53	Ed Martin, Lemoore City Councilmember	Update on HST project and gain support for project	5/07/2007	Phone Call initiated by Cheryl Lehn	Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Elected Official	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
54	Friends of Allensworth Conference Call	Discuss HST issues re: Allensworth State Park	5/7/2007	Telephone Conference Call	LA-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	<u>Friends of Allensworth Park</u> Parnell Lovelace  <u>HST</u> Georgiena Vivian Eric VonBerg
55	Business Reporter KGET 17		5/7/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Media	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
56	Former County Sup. Barbara Patrick		5/8/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team		Barbara Patrick  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
57	Meeting with Susan Anderson, Fresno County Board of Supervisors	Update on HST project and gain support from Fresno County Board of Supervisors	5/10/2007	Piccadilly Inn – Airport – Fresno	Bryn Forhan	Elected Official	<u>HST:</u> Bryn Forhan of the Forhan Company
58	2007 “Joint Chambers” Super Mixer Business Expo	Present Informational video and distribute HST Literature	5/10/2007	JP Eliopoulos Hellenic Center	Palmdale – Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	200-300 Exposition visitors  <u>HST</u> Robert Vanderstok – Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman – Chapman Communications
59	Fresno Co. Rail Committee	Present HST	5/11/2007	FCCOG Conference Room	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		Eric VonBerg
60	Bakersfield Chamber		5/14/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Steven Teglia  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett

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61	Bakersfield Chamber		5/15/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Steven Teglia Fran Florez  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
62	Bakersfield Chamber		5/16/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Steven Teglia  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
63	Kern County Transportation Foundation		5/16/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
64	Kern County Transportation Foundation		5/17/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
65	Antelope Valley 2007 Women's Conference	Present informational video and distribute HST literature	5/17/2007	Antelope Valley Fairgrounds 44447 Valley Central Way, Ste 411	Palmdale – Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Approximately 1000 visitors  <u>HST</u> Ellen Mata VRPA Technologies Glenn deBerg - URS Robert Vanderstok - Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman- Chapman Communications Paige Smock - Chapman Communications
66	Fresno TAG Meeting 2	Present preliminary data on alignments and receive input	5/17/07	Fresno COG Offices 2025 Tulare Street, Ste. 201 Sequoia Room Fresno, CA 93721	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	TAG	Cathy Crosby, Brandon Erickson, Dennis Manning, Tom Bailey, Roseann Galvan, Darrel Unruh, Clark Thompson, Rico B. Aguayo, Leland Bergstrom, Allison Kessler, Jeff Long  <u>HST</u> Howard Smith, Dave Hilliard, Cheryl Lehn, Eric VonBerg, Dominic Spaethling
67	Tulare/Kings TAG Meeting 2	Present preliminary data on alignments and receive input	5/17/07	Visalia Convention Center 303 E. Acequia Ave. Visalia, CA 93291	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	TAG	Britt Fussell, Bill Zumwalt, Ron Hoggard, Jeri Grant, Steve Soloman, Leland Bergstrom, Carol Cairns, Mike Olmos, Scott Cochran, Darrel Pyle, Alan Christensen, Paul Marquez, Michael Miller  <u>HST</u> Howard Smith, Dave Hilliard, Cheryl Lehn, Eric VonBerg, Dominic Spaethling, Georgiena Vivian, Sandy Stadtfeld

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68	Kings County Board of Supervisors: Alene Taylor Tony Barba Tony Oliveira Joe Neves	Brief update on HST project	5/21/2007	Phone call	Call initiated by Cheryl Lehn	Elected Official	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
69	Fresno County Board of Supervisors members: Phil Larson, Judy Case and Henry Perea	Request their support for HST resolution before the Board on 5/22/2007	5/21/2007	Phone call	Phone call initiated by Cheryl Lehn	Elected Official	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
70	Meeting with Jerry Prieto, Fresno County Ag. Commissioner, and his deputy, Bob Vandergon	Present preliminary data on alignments and get input on alignments impact on ag land	5/21/2007	Fresno County Ag. Commissioner's Office – Fresno	Cheryl Lehn	County Staff	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn with Forhan Company
71	Lancaster City Manager Meeting	Acquaint Sr. City Staff with HST's, alignments, benefits	5/21/2007	Lancaster City Hall 44933 N. Fern Ave Lancaster, CA	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Bob LaSala - City Manager Randy Williams - Dir. Public Works Anne Aldrich - Communications Mgr. (PIO)  <u>HST</u> Bob Schaevitz - URS Eric VonBerg - URS Robert Vanderstok - Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman - Chapman Communications
72	High Desert Broadcasting – KUTY 1470 NewTalk	Acquaint Radio Audience with HST Program in California	5/21/2007	570 East Avenue Q-9 Palmdale, CA 93550	Palmdale – Fresno HST Team	General Public	Interviewer: Ray Cunneff, Program Dir./ Radio Host  <u>HST</u> Bob Schaevitz Dan Tempelis Robert Vanderstok
73	Editorial Board – Antelope Valley Press	Present latest information on HST project in California. Generally solicit positive editorial from publication	5/21/2007	37404 Sierra Highway  Palmdale, CA	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Dennis Anderson - Editor Charles Boswick - Managing Editor Linda Lee - Assignments Editor William Warford - Sr. Columnist Allison Gatlin - Reporter  <u>HST</u> Bob Schaevitz - URS Dan Tempelis - Hatch Mott, McDonald Eric VonBerg - URS Robert Vanderstok - Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman - Chapman Communications

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74	Rosamond (Town Council) Municipal Advisory Council	Present HST programmatic to Rosamond Community Leaders	5/21/2007	Community Center  Hummel Hall  2500 20th Street West  Rosamond, CA	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Elected Official	Dennis Shoffner - Chair Rick Webb - Director Dan Spoor - Director Terry Graham - Secretary Willie Gilbert - Vice Chair Bob Vincelle - Financial Officer Bob Neufeld - RCSD Olaf Landsgaard - SKUSD  <u>HST</u> Bob Schaevitz - URS Eric Von Berg - URS Robert Vanderstok - Chapman Communications Ingrid Chapman - Chapman Communications
75	Fresno County Board of Supervisors	Adopt Resolution in support of HST	5/22/07	Fresno County Supervisors Board Room	County Staff		<u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg
76	Meeting with Kings County Ag Commissioner, Tim Wiswander, and his deputy, Ruben Arroyo	Present preliminary data on alignment and get input on alignments impact on ag land	5/23/2007	Kings County Ag. Commissioners Office – Hanford	Cheryl Lehn	County Staff	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
77	Kern County Transportation Foundation		5/23/07		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
78	Meeting with Tulare County Ag Commissioner, Gary Kunkel, and his deputy, Marilyn Kinoshita	Present preliminary data on alignment and get input on alignment impact on ag land	5/24/2007	Tulare County Ag. Commissioners Office – Visalia	Cheryl Lehn	County Staff	<u>HST</u>  Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
79	Kern County Tax Payers Association		5/24/07		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
80	Mojave Chamber of Commerce	Inform Chamber members about HSR in California	5/24/2007	Mariah Country Inn	Bill Deaver	Interest Group	Bill Deaver - Mojave Desert News & Kern Transportation Foundation Ken Secor - Presenter & Kern Transportation Foundation Mike Massey - Chamber President Allison Gatlin - Reporter - AV Press Rex Moen - Rep - Sen. Roy Ashburn Andy Stanley - Rep - Congressman Kevin McCarthy D.J. Twohig - Developer  <u>HST</u> Robert Vanderstok - Chapman Communications

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81	Staff for County Sup Michael Rubio		5/26/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Elected	Staff for County Sup Michael Rubio <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
82	Faculty at Cal State Bakersfield		5/27/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Cal State Bakersfield Faculty <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
83	Congressman Jim Costa	Update him on HST project and request his participation in press conference – Fresno Media Event	5/28/2007	Phone call	Call initiated by Bryn Forhan	Elected Official	<u>HST</u> Bryn Forhan
84	Kern Tax President and Bakersfield Vice Mayor		5/28/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		Kern Tax President Harold Hanson, Bakersfield Vice Mayor <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
85	Fresno City Council President Henry T. Perea	Request participation in HST Media Event in Fresno – June 4, 2007  Request HST resolution in support of state legislature full funding HST for FY 2007-08	Phone call – 5/29/2007  6/13/2007		Phone call initiated by Cheryl Lehn	Elected Official	<u>HST</u> Cheryl Lehn working with the Forhan Company
86	Kern County Transportation Foundation		5/29/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
87	Senator Dean Florez	Gain Senator Dean Florez' support for HST	5/30/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Elected	Senator Dean Florez <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett

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88	HST Fresno Area Stakeholders – Group 18	Present HST and gain input	5/30/2007	Fresno COG Office	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Ray McKnight, Chair Downtown Fresno Coalition Deborah Nankivell, CEO Fresno Business Council Amy Huerta, Member Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce
89	Russell Clemings, Fresno Bee Reporter	Update him on HST and encourage his attendance at HST Media event in Fresno – 6/04/2007	6/01/2007	Phone call	Call intitated by Bryn Forhan	Press	<u>HST</u> Bryn Forhan
90	Great Valley Center	Present HST info as part of panel	6/1/2007	Fresno COG Office	GVC	Interest Group	Great Valley Center staff  <u>HST Attendees</u> Georgiena Vivian Ellen Mata
91	Staff of Senator Dean Florez	Gain Senator Dean Florez' support for HST	6/1/2007	Starbucks, Fresno	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Electeds	Staff for Senator Dean Florez  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
92	Gov. Review Council – Bakersfield Chamber		6/1/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Gene Tackett
93	Meeting with Villines Dist. Director Julie Griffiths	Gain Mike Villines' support for HST	6/1/2007	Starbucks, Fresno	Eric VonBerg	Electeds	Eric VonBerg Rose Willems Julie Griffiths
94	Kern County Tax Payers Association		6/4/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
95	Fresno HST Media Day	Press Conference to show the Governor the Valley's support for HST	6/4/2007	Downtown Fresno Amtrak Station	CHSRA	Press & Governor	Jim Costa, Fran Flores, Bob Waterson, Jesus Gamboa, Henry T Perea, Nathan Magsig, Steve Geil, Al Smith, Barbara Goodwin, Terri King, Ted Smalley, Patricia Taylor, Jesse Brown, Rick McVaigh  <u>HST</u> Mary Alice Keaton, Bryn Forhan, Georgiena Vivian, Cheryl Lehn, Eric VonBerg, Kristin Jacobsen



	Meeting Title	Purpose of Meeting	Meeting Date	Location of Meeting	Meeting Called By	Target Type	Attended By
96	HST Kings County Area Stakeholders – Group 3 and Group 4, 1, 11-13, 15, 16	Present HST and gain support for budget	6/4/2007	Kings COG Offices – Multi-Purpose Room	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Ryan Bertao, Kings County Farm Bureau Stephanie Atkinson Alshan, West Hills College John Lehn, Kings County Economic Development Bill Zumwalt, Kings County Planning  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Cheryl Lehn
97	Kern County Transportation Foundation		6/5/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
98	Bakersfield Chamber		6/5/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Steven Teglia  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
99	Kern County Sups Watson, Maben, and Maggard		6/7/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		Kern County Sups Watson, Maben, and Maggard  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
100	HST Tulare County Area Stakeholders – Group 2, 5, 6	Present HST and gain support for budget	6/7/2007	Tulare CAG Offices – Commission Room	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Bob Keenan, Gary Kunkel, Cliff Ronk, Wende Ayers, Marilyn Kinsoshita, Carole Comb, Elizabeth Wright, Amy Silveira, Scott Spear, Tracey LaMonica, Jim Green, Tricia Stever, Jennifer McCoun, Paul Gottschall  <u>HST</u> Georgiena Vivian, Eric VonBerg
101	Kern County, County Counsel		6/8/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		Kern County Counsel  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
102	Kern County Tax Payers Association		6/10/07		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
103	Bakersfield Chamber		6/13/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	Steven Teglia  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett



	Meeting Title	Purpose of Meeting	Meeting Date	Location of Meeting	Meeting Called By	Target Type	Attended By
104	BIA of Fresno/Madera Counties	General Outreach for HST	6/14/2007	Pardini's Conference Facility	Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Interest Group	John Bonadelle, Kevin Castanos, Jim Acton, Tom McLaughlin, Bill Walls, Rod DeLuca, Gary Giannetta, Dennis Gaab, Brent McCaffrey, Darius Assemi
105	San Joaquin Valley Partnership Transportation Sub-Group	Present HST to grain Group's support for HST	6/15/07	Fresno County COG offices	SJ Valley Partnership		<u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bryn Forhan
106	Bakersfield Vice Mayor		6/18/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team		Harold Hanson, Bakersfield Vice Mayor  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
107	Tulare County Association of Governments/Tulare County Transportation Authority		6/18/07	Board of Supervisors Conference Rooms A & B, County Civic Center, Administration building	TCAG		<u>TCAG Board Members</u> Allen Ishida, Walter Stammer Jr., Connie Conway, Patrick Isherwood, Phil Cox, Steve Worthley, Mike Ennis, Terry McKittrick, Charlie Norman, Paul Boyer, Mike Santana, Pamela Kimball, Phil Vandegrift, Bob Link, Jack Ritchie, Bill McKinley, Bob Zimmerman, Tomas Sparks, Cliff Dunbar, Paul Marquez  <u>TCAG Staff</u> Ted Smalley, Scott Cochran, Elizabeth Wright, Ben Giuliani, Mark Hays, Ramon Lara, Christine Chavez  <u>Others</u> Ruben DeLeon - City of Woodlake Nancy Lockwood - The Lockwood Agency Mike Markarian - Calwater James Green - Visalia Chamber of Commerce Michael Miller - City of Tulare Dennis Mills - Omni Means Paul Gettschell - Lindsay Chamber of Commerce Bill Drennan - Concerned Citizen Laura Florez - The Lockwood Agency Becky Keller - The Lockwood Agency
108	Fresno City Council	Adopt Resolution in support of HST	6/19/07	City Hall	Henry Perea Jr., Council President	Electeds	Fresno City Council Members  <u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bryn Forhan
109	Kern County Transportation Foundation		6/20/2007		Palmdale-Fresno HST Team	Agency Staff	Dale Mills  <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett

	Meeting Title	Purpose of Meeting	Meeting Date	Location of Meeting	Meeting Called By	Target Type	Attended By
110	Meeting with Mojave Town Council	Present HST and identify issues for Council	6/20/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	Bill Deaver – Mojave Town Council <u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
111	KernTax Board Meeting		6/21/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
112	Joint Meeting: Fresno & Tulare/Kings Counties HST Technical Assessment Groups (TAG)	Study of Route Alignment Alternatives between Fresno and Bakersfield (Visalia-Tulare-Hanford Station Feasibility Study)	6/21/2007	Visalia Convention Center Ballrooms C & D 303 E. Acequia Ave. Visalia, CA 93291	HST F-P Team	TAG	James Green, Stan Nakagawa, Ted Smalley, Seth Eberhard, Bill Zumwalt, Betty Hampton, Cathy Crosby, Robin Vandegan, Clark Thompson, Mike Olmos, Darrell Unruh, Gary Missenhimer, William Drennen, Carol Cairns, Michael Miller, Paul Gottschell, Jeri Grant, Gerald Carroll, Monty Cox  <u>HST Attendees</u> Eric VonBerg Georgiena Vivian Bob Schaevitz Sandy Stadtfeld Howard Smith Ellen Mata Bryn Forhan
113	SJVAPCD Board	Present Air Quality Benefits of HST – Gain Support	6/21/2007	APCD Fresno Office	APCD	Board members	<u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bob Schaevitz Bryn Forhan Carli Paine
114	Gov. Review Council Bakersfield Chamber		6/22/2007		Fresno-Palmdale HST Team	Interest Group	<u>HST</u> Gene Tackett
115	SJV Partnership Air Quality Sub-group	Gain support for HST	6/25/07	Fresno County COG Offices	SJV Partnership	Sub-group members	<u>HST</u> Eric VonBerg Bryn Forhan

## Appendix B-2

# Fresno County Technical Assessment Group (TAG) Meeting – April 18, 2007

July 6, 2007

*Prepared by:*

**URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture**





CA High-Speed Train Project  
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**Outreach Meeting Management: Meeting Documentation Form**

**Target Individual/Group** Fresno County TAG  
**Location** COG Offices  
**Date** April 18, 2007  
**Time/Duration** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Venue** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Format** Presentation

**Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** 2025 Tulare Street, Ste. 201  
Sequoia Room  
Fresno, CA 93721

**Phone** (559) 233-4148  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Who called the meeting** \_\_\_\_\_

**Target type**

**Elected Official** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Interest Group** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Agency Staff** ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
**General Public** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**HSRA Signoff on Elected Officials?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   X   N/A

**Number of Attendees:** Target  Actual

**Known Attendees (Target) – List**

<div>ATTENDED</div>		<div>ATTENDED</div>	
	1. <u>Brandon Erickson</u>		11. <u>John Downs</u>
	2. <u>Cathy Crosby</u>		12. <u>Clark Thompson</u>
	3. <u>Stan Nakagawa</u>		13. _____
	4. <u>Don Pauley</u>		14. _____
	5. <u>Sophia Pagoulatos</u>		15. _____
	6. <u>Darrel Unruh</u>		16. _____
	7. <u>Enrique Mendez</u>		17. _____
	8. <u>Tom Bailey</u>		18. _____
	9. <u>Paul Marquez</u>		19. _____
	10. <u>Matt Treber</u>		20. _____



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**Known Attendees  
(HST) - List**

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| 1. <u>Howard Smith</u>    | 11. _____ |
| 2. <u>Dom Spaething</u>   | 12. _____ |
| 3. <u>Duncan Watry</u>    | 13. _____ |
| 4. <u>Bob Schaevitz</u>   | 14. _____ |
| 5. <u>Sandy Stadtfeld</u> | 15. _____ |
| 6. <u>David Hilliard</u>  | 16. _____ |
| 7. <u>Alan Boone</u>      | 17. _____ |
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**Meeting Purpose** Study of Route Alignment Alternatives between Fresno and Bakersfield

**Known Issues List**  
(*Italics* are issues  
learned at the  
meeting)

1. *Stan Nakagawa will need to go back to the BoS to get new endorsement if not on BNSF*
2. *Link with cross-valley RR – issue of staying on N-S alignment*
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### Meeting Notes

1. High-Speed Train Project Overview (Including Video clips)
2. Fresno-Bakersfield Alignment Study
  - Purpose
  - Schedule
  - Current Status
3. TAC Purpose
4. Local Objectives and Issues
5. Alignment and Station Location Criteria
6. Alignment and Station Location Alternatives
7. General Discussion
  - Suggestions for Alignment Alternatives / Station Locations
  - Suggestions for Evaluation Process
- Input from Other Stakeholders
- Other Questions and Comments
8. Action Items and Next Steps
9. Next Meeting

Adjourn

## Appendix B-3

# Tulare & Kings Counties Technical Assessment Group (TAG) Meeting – April 23, 2007

July 6, 2007

*Prepared by:*

**URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture**







CA High-Speed Train Project  
Fresno-Palmdale Region

**Outreach Meeting Management: Meeting Documentation Form**

**Target Individual/Group** Tulare/Kings Counties HST TAG  
**Location** Visalia Convention Center  
**Date** April 23, 2007  
**Time/Duration** 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
**Venue** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Format** Presentation

**Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** 303 E. Acequia Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
**Phone** (559) 713-4000  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Who called the meeting** Fresno-Palmdale HST Team

**Target type**

**Elected Official** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Interest Group** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Agency Staff** ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
**General Public** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**HSRA Signoff on Elected Officials?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x N/A

**Number of Attendees:** Target  Actual

<b>Known Attendees (Target) – List</b>	<div>ATTENDED</div>	1. <u>Don Pauley</u>	<div>ATTENDED</div>	11. <u>Alan Christensen</u>
		2. <u>Scott Cochran</u>		12. <u>Britt L. Fussel</u>
		3. <u>Karin Ford</u>		13. <u>Seth Eberhard</u>
		4. <u>Bill Hayter</u>		14. <u>Carol Cairns</u>
		5. <u>Darrel Pyle</u>		15. <u>Michael Miller</u>
		6. <u>Andrew Benelli</u>		16. <u>Al Dias</u>
		7. <u>Bill Zumwalt</u>		17. <u>Rob Hunt</u>
		8. <u>Marilyn Kinoshita</u>		18. <u>Mike Olmos</u>
		9. <u>Steve Kroeker</u>		19. _____
		10. <u>Ron Hoggard</u>		20. _____



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**Known Attendees  
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| 1. <u>Howard Smith</u>    | 11. _____ |
| 2. <u>David Hilliard</u>  | 12. _____ |
| 3. <u>Eric VonBerg</u>    | 13. _____ |
| 4. <u>Bob Schaevitz</u>   | 14. _____ |
| 5. <u>Sandy Stadtfeld</u> | 15. _____ |
| 6. <u>Arnold Luft</u>     | 16. _____ |
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**Meeting Purpose** Study of Route Alignment Alternatives between Fresno and Bakersfield

**Known Issues List**

(*Italics* are issues  
learned at the  
meeting)

1. Additional stops would increase travel time
2. *Visalia is not focused ONLY on a stop IN Visalia*
3. *City of Tulare is willing to participate in cost for grade separation*
4. Impacts to farmlands
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### Meeting Notes

1. High-Speed Train Project Overview (Including Video clips)
2. Fresno-Bakersfield Alignment Study
  - Purpose
  - Schedule
  - Current Status
3. TAC Purpose
4. Local Objectives and Issues
5. Alignment and Station Location Criteria
6. Alignment and Station Location Alternatives
7. General Discussion
  - Suggestions for Alignment Alternatives / Station Locations
  - Suggestions for Evaluation Process
- Input from Other Stakeholders
- Other Questions and Comments
8. Action Items and Next Steps
9. Next Meeting

Adjourn

## Appendix B-4

# Fresno County Technical Assessment Group (TAG) Meeting – May 17, 2007

July 6, 2007

*Prepared by:*

**URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture**





CA High-Speed Train Project  
Fresno-Palmdale Region

**Outreach Meeting Management: Meeting Documentation Form**

**Target Individual/Group** Fresno County TAG  
**Location** COG Offices  
**Date** May 17, 2007  
**Time/Duration** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Venue** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Format** Presentation

**Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** 2025 Tulare Street, Ste. 201  
Sequoia Room  
Fresno, CA 93721  
**Phone** (559) 233-4148  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Who called the meeting** Fresno-Palmdale HST Team

**Target type**

**Elected Official** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Interest Group** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Agency Staff** ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
**General Public** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**HSRA Signoff on Elected Officials?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x N/A

**Number of Attendees:** Target  Actual

<b>Known Attendees (Target) – List</b>	<div>ATTENDED</div>		<div>ATTENDED</div>	
<u>x</u>	1.	<u>Cathy Crosby</u>	<u>x</u>	11. <u>Allison Kessler</u>
<u>x</u>	2.	<u>Brandon Erickson</u>	<u>x</u>	12. <u>Jeff Long</u>
<u>x</u>	3.	<u>Dennis Manning</u>		13. _____
<u>x</u>	4.	<u>Tom Bailey</u>		14. _____
<u>x</u>	5.	<u>Roseann Galvan</u>		15. _____
<u>x</u>	6.	<u>Darrel Unruh</u>		16. _____
<u>x</u>	7.	<u>Clark Thompson</u>		17. _____
<u>x</u>	8.	<u>Rico Aguayo</u>		18. _____
<u>x</u>	9.	<u>Leland Bergstrom</u>		19. _____
<u>x</u>	10.	<u>Matt Treber</u>		20. _____



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**Known Attendees  
(HST) - List**

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| <u>x</u> | 1. <u>Howard Smith</u>   | 11. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 2. <u>Dom Spaething</u>  | 12. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 3. <u>Eric VonBerg</u>   | 13. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 4. <u>Cheryl Lehn</u>    | 14. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 5. <u>David Hilliard</u> | 15. _____ |
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**Meeting Purpose** Present preliminary data on alignments and receive input

**Known Issues List**  
(Italics are issues  
learned at the  
meeting)

1. *Look at integrating high speed and commuter rail*
2. *Visalia needs a station due to future population growth.*
3. *Problem with farms everywhere from prime to low quality. Kings River floodplain very prime land*
4. *Safety issue with being away from freight lines (more open to public access) and crossing of 99.*
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- No funding for buses on the system in the Bond measure. Dom will look into the issue and bring the comment forward to the Authority.
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  2. Bring back report to the TAG after receiving comments from the CHSRA.
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### Meeting Notes

Dom discussed new video with corrections requested (Amtrak comments taken out, Fiona Ma added)

Clark Thompson – question on HST for freight delivery, has it changed beyond lightweight package delivery? Answer is it has not been changed.

What effect will HST have on existing commuter rail? Early in the process, but look at integrating existing or combining services.

Tom Bailey - No funding for buses on the system in the Bond measure. Dom replied will look into the issue and bring the comment forward to the Authority.

#### Alignment Study

Process for developing and eliminating alignments discussed by Sandy. Criteria used, showed mapping of impacts

Dave Hilliard discussed the revised alternatives based on the data and meeting input received today.

mid-point of 198 alt was eliminated due to growth inducement issues

discussed need for conforming to HST geometry requirements for locating station

The alignments are all now discreet alignments from Fresno to Bakersfield

Clark Thompson – Visalia growth area, are there plans to growth west of 99?

Tom Bailey – who makes the final decision on a Visalia station? CHSRA will, but will be evaluated in the EIR/S

Look at putting Amtrak on UP to help serve as feeder to HST.

#### Station locations

Resolution to Fresno Co Bd. and they support the BNSF alignment, therefore the 43/198 station alignment (A-1) is best alignment.

Most people will be living between Merced and Tulare in the future – Kingsburg Mayor – Amtrak will be

K-S-F connection to Visalia and Fresno. Station location on Visalia-owned land would be great location for connection.

Problem with farms everywhere from prime to low quality. Kings River floodplain very prime land

Object to having trains coming through town, so go west of us, 43 alignment works well. SJ Valley needs equal treatment for the Valley to vote yes on HST. Visalia needs a station due to future population growth.

Cross valley RR can be important connector – two stations locations are adjacent to it.

Fresno County looking for alignments that get us from Fresno to Bakersfield and LA as quick as possible

Darrell Unruh: Conflicts/competing objectives not growth inducing but can't get alignment into cities, don't want to impact cities or agriculture – need to make concessions somewhere.

"A" alignments might fit well with a 50-year growth projection to allow growth and accommodate open space buffers and minimize greenbelt alignments.

Discussed 50' r/w for urban and 100' r/w for rural areas as the criteria used in this study assuming alignments outside the freight rail corridor – additional r/w beyond the freight r/w.

Tom Baily – likely FRA will weigh in on separation guidelines.

CHSRA are getting into the issue now with the freight railroads on sharing or being adjacent to their right of way.

"D" alignments follow section lines and potentially have less impact to ag land than alignments adjacent to freight rail lines.

Brandon – safety issue with being away from freight lines (more open to public access) and crossing of 99.

Plan to have Draft report to CHSRA by June 4, with the final report completed by the end of June. Bring back report to the TAG after receiving comments from the CHSRA.

Discussion of future schedule and need for funding next fiscal year to stay on schedule.

Fresno North team is working on corridor between Sacramento and Stockton.

June 21 @ 10:00 as a joint TAG meeting with Kings/Tulare TAG



## Appendix B-5

# Tulare & Kings Counties Technical Assessment Group (TAG) Meeting – May 17, 2007

July 6, 2007

*Prepared by:*

**URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture**





CA High-Speed Train Project  
Fresno-Palmdale Region

**Outreach Meeting Management: Meeting Documentation Form**

**Target Individual/Group** Tulare/Kings Counties HST TAG  
**Location** Visalia Convention Center  
**Date** May 17, 2007  
**Time/Duration** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Venue** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Format** Presentation

**Contact Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** 303 E. Acequia Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
**Phone** (559) 713-4000  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Who called the meeting** Fresno-Palmdale HST Team

**Target type**

**Elected Official** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Interest Group** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Agency Staff** ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
**General Public** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**HSRA Signoff on Elected Officials?** \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   x   N/A

**Number of Attendees:** Target  Actual

Known Attendees (Target) – List	ATTENDED		ATTENDED	
<u>  x  </u>	1.	<u>Britt L. Fussel</u>	<u>  x  </u>	11. <u>Alan Christensen</u>
<u>  x  </u>	2.	<u>Bill Zumwalt</u>	<u>  x  </u>	12. <u>Paul Marquez</u>
<u>  x  </u>	3.	<u>Ron Hoggard</u>	<u>  x  </u>	13. <u>Michael Miller</u>
<u>  x  </u>	4.	<u>Jeri Grant</u>		14. _____
<u>  x  </u>	5.	<u>Steve Soloman</u>		15. _____
<u>  x  </u>	6.	<u>Leland Bergstrom</u>		16. _____
<u>  x  </u>	7.	<u>Carol Cairns</u>		17. _____
<u>  x  </u>	8.	<u>Mike Olmos</u>		18. _____
<u>  x  </u>	9.	<u>Scott Cochran</u>		19. _____
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**Known Attendees  
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| <u>x</u> | 1. <u>Howard Smith</u>       | 11. _____ |
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| <u>x</u> | 3. <u>Eric VonBerg</u>       | 13. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 4. <u>Cheryl Lehn</u>        | 14. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 5. <u>Sandy Stadtfeld</u>    | 15. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 6. <u>Dominic Spaethling</u> | 16. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 7. <u>Georgiena Vivian</u>   | 17. _____ |
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**Meeting Purpose** Presenting preliminary alignment data and receiving input.

**Known Issues List**

(*Italics* are issues  
learned at the  
meeting)

1. *Is CHSRA really considering a Visalia station*
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### Meeting Notes

Dom gave introductions asked for questions

Salomon – is the Authority at a point of including this area or not? (“Will we be included in CA or not?”)

We are conducting this study to look at feasibility

Are there other metropolitan areas that would be phased in? Is this just for Visalia or with other areas as well?

Looking at 6 separate segments all on different steps in the process.

Sandy gave a brief overview of the process to date.

Dave discussed new alternatives map and what the changes are.

Deleted the alts crossing across so. Fresno Co. and the station location in the middle of 198 between Hanford and Visalia

Key difference on the 99 options is the westerly site is not in a floodplain.

The alignments on the 99 corridor could be served by stations in Tulare or Goshen, D by the 198/99 locations, and A by the 198/43 station location

Look at ability to use the Visalia owned station with access from the B alignments by orienting the approach.

Can look into additional options to make alignments work.

Leland – looking at way to balance out impacts, cities are expanding west to avoid prime lands to the east, and trying to get Amtrak on UP and use as a feeder to HST.

Asked if alignments meet engineering criteria – yes they do.

Discussion on reducing ag impacts by following section or half section lines.

Straightening freight alignments to meet design criteria may end up with higher ag impacts compared to a



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new alignment along section (n-s) alignment.

A and A-1 alignment does impact prime farmland. A alignment has impact to Armona.

Hanford prefers A-1

Concern that people against Visalia station claim HST will become a “milk run”.

B,D,E-2 alignments would be supported by K-F-S – not real prime farmland

Alan C. – no known opposition to B alignments.

Congestion on UP with freight trains, need more capacity in order to get Amtrak on their tracks (double track)

Described how trenching can greatly reduce noise of the train. Described noise difference between freight and HST. Explained all HST grade separated and fenced/access controlled.

We will start characterizing alignments, using qualitative assessments such as farmland, urban development, and natural habitats.

Issue of addressing Allensworth

Visalia is a low income area – will impact those EJ communities by not providing access to HST if you don't have a Visalia station. Mike Olmos.

Draft out June 4, aim toward a Joint TAG meeting on June 21, Visalia willing to host.

## Appendix B-6

# Fresno, Tulare & Kings Counties Technical Assessment Group (TAG) Meeting – June 21, 2007

July 6, 2007

*Prepared by:*

URS/HMM/Arup Joint Venture





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**Outreach Meeting Management: Meeting Documentation Form**

**Target Individual/Group** Tulare/Kings Counties HST TAG  
**Location** Visalia Convention Center  
**Date** June 21, 2007  
**Time/Duration** 1.5 hours  
**Venue** Meeting room  
**Format** Face to face

**Contact Name** Carol Combes  
**Address** 303 E. Acequia Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
**Phone** (559) 713-4000  
**Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Who called the meeting** Fresno-Palmdale HST Team

**Target type**

**Elected Official** ☒  
**Interest Group** ☒  
**Agency Staff** ☒  
**General Public** ☒  
**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**HSRA Signoff on Elected Officials?**   X   Yes        No        N/A

**Number of Attendees:** Target  Actual

<b>Known Attendees (Target) – List</b>	<div>ATTENDED</div> <u>  x  </u>		<div>ATTENDED</div> <u>  x  </u>	
1. <u>James Green</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	11. <u>Darrell Unruh</u>
2. <u>Ted Smalley</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	12. <u>Gary Misenhimer</u>
3. <u>Stan Nakagawa</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	13. <u>Michael Miller</u>
4. <u>Seth Eberhard</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	14. <u>William Drennan</u>
5. <u>Bill Zumwalt</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	15. <u>Carol Cairns</u>
6. <u>Betty Hampton</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	16. <u>Paul Gottschell</u>
7. <u>Cathy Crosby</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	17. <u>Jeri Grant</u>
8. <u>Robin Vandegan</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	18. <u>Gerald Carroll</u>
9. <u>Clark Thompson</u>	<u>  x  </u>		<u>  x  </u>	19. <u>Monty Cox</u>
10. <u>Mike Olmos</u>	<u>  x  </u>			20. _____



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**Known Attendees  
(HST) - List**

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| <u>x</u> | 1. <u>Howard Smith</u>       | 11. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 2. <u>David Hilliard</u>     | 12. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 3. <u>Eric VonBerg</u>       | 13. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 4. <u>Cheryl Lehn</u>        | 14. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 5. <u>Sandy Stadtfeld</u>    | 15. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 6. <u>Dominic Spaethling</u> | 16. _____ |
| <u>x</u> | 7. <u>Georgiena Vivian</u>   | 17. _____ |
|          | 8. _____                     | 18. _____ |
|          | 9. _____                     | 19. _____ |
|          | 10. _____                    | 20. _____ |

**Meeting Purpose**

Present findings on Visalia-Tulare-Hanford Station Feasibility Study

**Known Issues List**

(*Italics* are issues  
learned at the  
meeting)

1. Tulare-Kings Co. want a station to serve their area.
2. *What do you do if can't negotiate successfully with Freight RR's?*
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**Action  
Items**

WHO
EVB

1. Send Speed map to Clark Thompson
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3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
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### Meeting Notes

Sandy gave brief overview of the process used in preparing the study, including public outreach and development of criteria to evaluate alternatives. Further discussed narrowing down site locations into two broad areas. Described the alternatives developed and shown on Figure 1 of the executive summary.

Reviewed criteria used to assess alignments as shown in table form on pg. 8-9 of exec. Summary.

No questions on Sandy's presentation.

Bob – we need local feedback on what are the most important measures to be weighted more in the Authority's decision on choosing an alternative.

What is the amount of land needed for a station? Need to coordinate with Caltrans

4 tracks through stations, 1,300-foot long platforms, but CHSRA is currently developing the criteria, including parking

Need to look at 198 project and interchange needs with 198 East option.

Look to schedule a Fresno Co. Bd. meeting to present study and get a definitive answer from Fresno Co. Bd.

What is feasibility of trenching through Kings/Selma/Fowler?

Study used 50' ROW with ROW of freight and HST abutting each other.

25' is minimum distance between rails, but freight is worried about liability with this distance.

Closest to population centers, how it interrelates into inter-modal transportation.

Is there discussion of doing any type of freight

Bill Zumwalt – if HST is going through Kings Co. then there needs to be a station to serve Hanford-Visalia-Tulare area. Station location is within Hanford SOI. Opportunity to develop Hanford land use plans with development of station



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43/198 IC would need to be improved along with

A does not work, and A-1 is farther away from population centers in the area. Visalia staff would prefer station locations nearer 99.

Tulare Council is on record preferring station near 99. Looking at ways

Concerns with splitting community ???

Ted Smalley – top desire is to have a station location, preference nearer 99, but understand constraints to locating a station along there.

Ajourned.